

EXPORTING MEAT AND BONE MEAL TO CHINA

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1. Meat and bone meal must be processed in an USDA, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS) approved facility. Further, USDA, VS must certify that the product does not contain any ovine origin ingredients. Verification of an Approved Rendering Facility may be obtained by VS AVIC's through the APHIS intranet (<http://inside.aphis.usda.gov/property/apps/idea.html>). Check for species rendered. If sheep are not rendered, then the facility can be considered approved for export to China. If the facility does not appear on the list, then an inspection will have to be conducted to verify that they do not render ovine material. This inspection should be repeated yearly.

2. The material must be exported on a VS form 16-4. No affidavit is permitted. The certificate should state the following under "Additional Declarations"

The meat and bone meal was produced in a USDA approved facility. The product does not contain any ovine origin ingredients.